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COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES ON A SYSTEM-WIDE BASIS: STRENGTHENING COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM AND THE BRETTON WOODS INSTITUTIONS IN THE AREAS OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AT ALL LEVELS, INCLUDING THE FIELD LEVEL

Note by the Secretariat

Corrigendum

Annex

The information given for ESCWA and ITC should be replaced by the attached.

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Existing arrangements for cooperation

United Nations body	Information/data collection and dissemination	Research policy and analysis	Country-level operational activities	Proposals for strengthened cooperation
ESCWA	The World Bank has contributed financially to the Arabic translation of the new system of national accounts (1993 SNA). ESCWA revised the translation and arranged to put it in a camera-ready typeset for reproduction by United Nations Headquarters. In natural resources development, ESCWA has made contacts with the World Bank for joint activities in the development of water resources in the ESCWA region. A relevant example in this respect is the Commission's proposal to co-sponsor the regional conference on water planned by the World Bank for 1997	In September 1995, the World Bank and ESCWA undertook a study on poverty assessment in Yemen to develop a strategy for poverty reduction. In Industry, ESCWA approached the World Bank to co-sponsor two meetings on "Industrial Strategies and Policies and Managerial and Entrepreneurial Skills, under conditions of Global and Regional Change", held in Bahrain, in November 1995. The World Bank contributed a paper entitled "Privatization: A World Bank Experience" to one of the meetings.	In statistics, ESCWA is currently cooperating with the World Bank in implementing the International Comparison Programme (ICP) in the Western Asia region.	Economic policy coordination, particularly in a regional context, needs proper forum for discussion and exchange of views. SDRs as an integrating link between the United Nations and BWI.
Regional commissions		Regional commissions' cooperation with IMF and the World Bank has centred around specific subjects such as statistical development, improvement in transport, and a limited number of consultations on policy matters.		
ITC	ITC is represented in various World Bank consultative group meetings by the United Nations system resident coordinator and Chiefs and desk officers as well as technical officers meet regularly with World Bank representatives at the country level.		A number of projects implemented and under consideration by Governments using World Bank funds, in particular in the area of international public procurement.	